SANTA ANA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER

ROSEMARIE "ROSIE" AVILA

OCCUPATION: Governing Board Member, Santa Ana Unified Teacher/President, Non-Profit Organization

It has been a pleasure to serve on the Santa Ana School Board for 13 years. My five children, one in special education, have attended seven different Santa Ana schools. My husband Jim and I have been married 31 years. I have taught elementary school and hold a Master's degree in Organizational Leadership.

I am a Biola University Trustee. The President of the United States appointed me to the Commission on White House Fellows. I am the founder of a non-profit organization, the Orange County Youth Commission, providing Santa Ana students after school programs with homework help, structured sports and character education.

As a school board member I am proud to have:

Added six new fundamental schools.

Passed an ethics policy restoring integrity to our building program.

Fought for English instruction, exposing the failed bilingual program.

Established a strong phonics reading program raising academic test scores.

Required eighth grade students to pass a U.S. Constitution Test.

We must ensure that children read well, are proficient in English and have great computer skills. College and work demand it. As a community leader I desire to unite the community. Thank you for your vote. You can contact me at voterosie@aol.com

Commitment, courage, character,

Rosemarie "Rosie" Avila